

NGPD Police Blotter for week of 12/14/25 to 12/20/25

EMS calls, Burglar Alarms, Fire Alarms, Department Details, Investigation Follow Ups, Hazardous Situations, Vehicle Lock Outs, Reckless Driving complaints, 911 Hang Ups, Animal Problems not resulting in injury, Suspicious Vehicles and Persons not resulting in an arrest, and Property Damage Auto Accidents/Traffic Stops not resulting in an arrest are excluded from this list.

All listed persons have been criminally charged but are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

12/14/25

3:24 AM- **Personal Injury Auto Accident-** In the 300 block of Whiteview Rd. Single vehicle, minor injury. *Officers Clemenzi and Jukes*

8:24 PM- **Suspicious Vehicle-** On Holland Dr. Caller reported seeing a vehicle parked with the headlights on near their house. Officers located the vehicle and determined they had a legitimate reason for being there. *Officers Jukes and Schrader*

8:59 PM- **Vehicle Fire-** On Stacey Way. Officers responded with Defreestville and Wynantskill Fire Departments for a report of a vehicle fire. Officers arrived to find a heavy fire condition and that the vehicle was near a structure. Officers used a fire extinguisher to minimize the fire until Fire could arrive. The cause was determined to be an electrical issue. *Officers Jukes and Schrader*

10:03 PM- **Harassment-** In the Van Allen Apartments. Caller reported having an issue with a neighbor that was complaining about the caller's kids making too much noise. *Officer Schrader*

12/15/25

8:13 AM- **Arrest-** Joseph LaMountain, of Rensselaer, was taken into custody at Rensselaer Police station and charged with an incident that had taken place in Town. RPD requested officers check Auto Zone for a subject that had fled a property damage auto accident on Washington Ave. RPD and NGPD officers located the suspect vehicle and determined LaMountain was the driver. Upon officers attempting to take him into custody, he actively resisted and officers were injured. He was charged with Assault 2nd degree, Criminal Mischief 3rd degree, both felonies, Resisting Arrest, and Obstructing Governmental Administration 2nd degree, both misdemeanors. He was arraigned at North Greenbush Town Court and released to monitoring by Rensselaer County Probation. He is to return to that court at a later date. *Officers Catlin, Verardi, and Detective Walsh*

3:15 PM- **Welfare Check-** In the Eagle Rock Apartments. Caller was a psychiatric physician who stated a patient had missed their appointment and they had received phone calls from

several people saying the subject was acting erratically at home. Officers located the subject and found that, while they were clearly suffering mental health issues, did not meet the criteria to be considered in crisis. *Officers Valenti and Gray*

5:41 AM- **Disturbance**- At Sunoco. Caller reported a male in the parking lot that kept going in and out of the store, giving the clerk a hard time. Officers located the male and found he was upset, believing someone had been following him. All parties were advised. *Officers Jukes and Paterno*

9:40 AM- **Fraud**- On Worthington Terr. Caller stated they had been scammed out of a large sum of money over the course of a few months. Investigation ongoing. *Officer Catlin, Detectives Walsh, and Fleming*

10:48 AM- **Welfare Check**- In the 200 block of Winter St. Ext. La Grange Police Department, IL, requested officers contact an individual who had sent hundreds of messages to family members in Illinois making allegations of all types of crimes being committed here. Officers were unable to locate the subject but spoke to him by phone. The officers were familiar with the individual and had already determined none of the allegations were true. *Officer Verardi and Sergeant Deeb*

10:53 AM- **Assist Other Agency**- At McDonald's on Troy Rd. in East Greenbush. EGPD requested assistance with a report of a subject that wouldn't leave the restaurant. *Officer Verardi*

2:16 PM- **Welfare Check**- At the Eastwyck Village Apartments. Caller reported a resident in the common area that was claiming to have a problem with a family member. Officers determined the subject was suffering from a cognitive memory issue and was turned over to a family member for follow up care. *Officers Gervais and Verardi*

3:27 PM- **Arrest**- Nathan Ikokwu, of Albany, was taken into custody at the station after being brought in by NYSDOCCS on an active arrest warrant stemming from thefts from Home Depot. He was charged with two counts of Petit Larceny, a misdemeanor, and arraigned at North Greenbush Town Court. He was released back to the custody of DOCCS and is to return to that court at a later date. *Officer Gray*

4:20 PM- **Larceny**- At the station. A resident from Acker Ave. reported a theft from a package on their front lawn. Investigation ongoing. *Officer Schrader*

5:07 PM- **Arrest**- Jazmyn Smith, of Albany, turned herself in on two outstanding warrants for theft. The incidents both took place at the CVS Pharmacy on North Greenbush Rd. The thefts were on December 30th, 2024 and February 25th, 2025 and were in the amounts of \$204 and \$280, respectively. Smith was charged with two counts of Petit Larceny, a misdemeanor, and arraigned at North Greenbush Town Court where she was released. She is to return to that court at a later date. *Investigations and arrest by Officer Valenti*

8:15 PM- **Assist other Agency**- In the 100 block of Fox Hollow in Rensselaer. RPD requested assistance with a report of a disturbance, possibly involving a gun. *Sergeants Bourdeau, Deeb, Officers Jukes, Valenti, Schrader, Gray, Paterno, and Catlin*

12/17/25

5:01 AM- **Death Investigation**- At the Stewart's Shop on Glenmore Rd. Staff reported finding a male in cardiac arrest inside the store. See press release 2025-05 for more information. *Officers Verardi and Paterno*

9:08 AM- **Domestic Dispute**- On Van Leuvan Dr. South. *Officers Catlin and Verardi*

1:01 PM- **Domestic Dispute**- At the station. A resident wished to file a report regarding an incident that had taken place on December 14th. *Officer Verardi*

1:17 PM- **Larceny**- At Home Depot. Staff reported the theft of \$1,974 worth of merchandise. It was determined that no theft actually occurred. *Officer Gervais*

2:39 PM- **Assist Other Agency**- At Walmart on Troy Rd. in East Greenbush. EGPD requested assistance with an active larceny. *Officer Gervais*

3:14 PM- **Welfare Check**- In the Eagle Rock Apartments. Caller reported a resident that was acting erratically in the parking lot. Officers located the subject and transported him to Samaritan hospital for a mental health evaluation pursuant to an order by the subject's doctor. *Officers Schrader and Gray*

5:09 PM- **Assist Other Agency**- In the Eagle Rock Apartments. Albany PD requested assistance in locating a suspect that was believed to live in the complex. The subject was not located there. *Sergeant Bourdeau, Officers Jukes, Schrader, and Gray*

6:24 PM- **Citizen Assist**- In Van Rensselaer Square. Caller reported that their vehicle had been stolen in the lot while they were in the store. Officers assisted in locating the vehicle which was parked in a different location than the caller thought. *Officers Schrader and Gray*

12/18/25

6:45 AM- **Unwanted Guest**- At the Stewart's Shop on Glenmore Rd. Staff reported a male harassing customers for money and chasing cars through the lot. The male had been asked to leave but refused to do so. Officer checked the area but the male had already left. *Officer Paterno*

7:30 AM- **Harassment**- At the Rensselaer County Waste Treatment Center. Caller reported an altercation with another employee. *Sergeant Deeb and Officer Gervais*

10:18 AM- **Suspicious Package**- On Brinker Dr. South. Caller reported receiving a large package that they were not expecting. Officer opened the package and caller found that it contained items they had forgotten they had ordered. *Officer Gervais*

3:31 PM- **Emotionally Distressed Person**- In the 100 block of North Greenbush Rd. Caller reported a family member who was in crisis. Officers determined the subject didn't meet the criteria to be considered in crisis but the subject complained of a medical issue and was taken to the hospital by NGAA. *Sergeant Bourdeau, Officers Jukes, and Schrader*

5:09 PM- **Citizen Assist**- On Stacey Way. Caller reported that their airpods were taken while at the gym in Watervliet and they were showing on GPS as being on Stacey Way. Officer spoke to the homeowner and the items were recovered. *Sergeant Bourdeau and Officer Schrader*

12/19/25

11:47 AM- **Larceny**- At Five Below. Staff reported that a male had stolen merchandise and fled in a vehicle. Officer checked the area for the vehicle but could not locate it. *Officer Verardi*

5:28 PM- **Custody Dispute**- On Streamview Ln. Caller reported that a custody order was not being followed. *Sergeant Bourdeau*

12/20/25

4:18 AM- **Arrest**- Christian Santalis, of Schenectady, was taken into custody during a traffic stop on Third Ave. Ext. when it was discovered that his driver's license was revoked. He was charged with Aggravated Unlicensed Operation 3rd degree, a misdemeanor, Unlicensed Operation and Inadequate Plate Lamps, both infractions. He was released to appear in court at a later date. *Officer Clemenzi and Sergeant Peasley*

9:09 AM- **Larceny**- In Bloomingrove Senior Housing. Caller reported medications missing. Investigation ongoing. *Officer Verardi*

9:16 AM- **Personal Injury Auto Accident**- On North Greenbush Rd. at Agway Dr. 2 cars, minor injury. *Officers Verardi and Catlin*

10:20 AM- **Harassment**- On Kent Pl. Caller reported getting harassing phone calls from an unknown person. *Officer Verardi*

12:02 PM- **Unwanted Guest**- At the CVS Pharmacy on North Greenbush Rd. Caller reported a male in the store yelling at staff members. Officer arrived to find that the subject was no longer there. *Officer Verardi*

12:48 PM- **Assist Other Agency**- At Walmart on Troy Rd. in East Greenbush. EGPD requested assistance with an active larceny. *Officer Verardi*

3:51 PM- **Arrest**- Andrew Baird, of Schuylerville, was taken into custody during an investigation into a crash on State Route 43 and charged with DWI. Baird had run off the road, damaged several road signs, and crashed into bushes outside of a residence. Upon interviewing him, officers observed indicators that he was under the influence. Field sobriety tests were administered, which Baird failed. He refused to submit to a chemical test to determine his BAC. He was charged with Driving While Intoxicated, a misdemeanor, Speed Not Reasonable, and Failure to Use Designated lane, both infractions. He was arraigned at North Greenbush Town Court and released. He is to return to that court at a later date. *Officer Verardi and Sergeant Peasley*

7:46 PM- **Harassment**- On Worthington Terr. Caller reported that their neighbor had been digging up their lawn and was screaming into the caller's window. Investigation ongoing.
Sergeant Peasley